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Judiciary Committee Public Hearing - Firearms - Submission

To whom it may concern, I wanted to write in and have my voice heard. To my elected officials and representatives voting on the following as a constituent of yours I would appreciate you hearing what I would like you to vote:

S.B. NO. 60 - OPPOSE

S.B. NO. 7218 - OPPOSE

S.B. NO. 7219 - OPPOSE

S.B. NO. 7223 - OPPOSE

S.B. NO. 940 - SUPPORT

S.B. NO. 5227 - SUPPORT

S.B. NO. 5870 - SUPPORT

I hope this letter reaches you in time before the vote commences. I appreciate you taking the time to hear me out and consider my opinion when casting your vote. The bills I oppose will do NOTHING to stop crime, and with only further burden the tax payers and gun owners of this state, instead of doing what 'common sense' people want. The bills that I urge you to support WILL allow people to maintain their safety in public places that traditionally have ENDANGERED them such as public parks and state forests. We already know gun owners ARE law abiding citizens and not allowing them to carry essentially in ALL public places, only allows criminals who do not give a damn about the law to subject these people to their ill will and criminal intent. Forcing people to strip themselves of the only defensive measures they have in a public place like parks and forests is simply foolish... let's not forget there ARE wild animals in Connecticut as well! I could go on ad nauseum about how ALL the bills I urge you to oppose will do nothing to stop ANY crime, but I will spare you those details. Instead I will say this... this state already has some of the most harshest gun laws and regulations in the country. And gun owners has been able to work with the state despite the encroachment on our 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights; that said, I urge you to do the MORAL thing and support the bills we know will help gun owners maintain their safety and ability unimpeded, and oppose the bills that are NOT common sense and only proposed for the sake of 'doing something'. Thank you for your time.

- Chris Maldonado Resident of North Haven, CT